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Attached is a Supplementary European Search Report for counterpart European Application No. 05704378, which cites U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0020188, European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1156584, LI LI ET AL., "Microfabricated Spherical Bi-Convex Quartz Crystal Microbalance Array," and LI LI ET AL., "High Sensitive, Miniaturized Plano-Convex Quartz Crystal Microbalance Fabricated by Reactive Ion Etching and Melting Photoresist," listed on Form PTO/SB/08a.

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